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October 27, 2022

# **VIA ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION**

Attorney General Tom Miller Office of the Attorney General of Iowa 1305 E. Walnut Street Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0106 consumer@ag.iowa.gov

Re: Notice of Data Security Incident

Dear Attorney General Miller:

Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP ("Lewis Brisbois") represents Davenport Community Schools ("DCSD") in connection with a recent data security incident described below.

## 1. Nature of the security incident.

On September 7, 2022, DCSD discovered suspicious activity associated with certain systems within its network. In response, DCSD took immediate steps to secure its network, which included disconnecting its systems from the internet, and promptly launched an investigation. In so doing, DCSD engaged independent digital forensics and incident response experts to determine what happened and to identify any information that may have been accessed or acquired without authorization as a result. On September 30, 2022, DCSD learned that some DCSD data had potentially been accessed or acquired without authorization. DCSD then immediately undertook efforts to review the potentially impacted data. On October 10, 2022, DCSD learned that certain personal information was contained within the potentially impacted data and therefore may have been impacted in connection with this incident. DCSD then worked to promptly notify potentially impacted individuals of this incident.

The potentially impacted information that may have been accessible by the malicious actor(s) responsible for this incident included individuals' names, Social Security numbers, driver's license numbers, and / or medical information.

### 2. Number of Iowa residents affected.

DCSD notified six thousand four hundred nine (6,409) Iowa residents of this incident via first class U.S. mail on October 26, 2022. A sample copy of the notification letter is included with this correspondence.

## 3. Steps taken relating to the Incident.

As soon as DCSD discovered this incident, DCSD took steps to secure its network and launched an investigation to determine what happened and whether personal information was impacted. DCSD also implemented additional safeguards to help ensure the security of its network and to reduce the risk of a similar incident occurring in the future. Finally, DCSD reported this incident to law enforcement and will cooperate to hold the perpetrator(s) accountable.

DCSD has established a toll-free call center through IDX, a leader in risk mitigation and response, to answer any questions about the incident and address related concerns. The call center is available at 1-800-939-4170 from 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. Central Time, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays). In addition, while DCSD is not aware of the misuse of any information as a result of this incident, out of an abundance of caution, DCSD is also providing complimentary identity protection services to notified individuals.

#### 4. Contact information.

DCSD remains dedicated to protecting the personal information in its control. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Lewis Brisbois.

Best regards,

Alyssa R. Watzman

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**Enclosure: Sample Notification Letter** 



Return Mail: IDX P.O. Box 1907 Suwanee, GA 30024 To Enroll, Please Call: 1-833-814-1701 Or Visit:

https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect Enrollment Code: <<XXXXXXXX>>

<<First Name>> <<Last Name>> <<Address1>> <<Address2>> <<City>>, <<State>> <<Zip>>

October 26, 2022

Subject: Notice of Data << Variable Text 1: Breach or Security Incident>>

Dear <<First Name>> <<Last Name>>.

I am writing to inform you of a recent data security incident experienced by Davenport Community Schools ("DCSD") that may have affected your personal information. DCSD takes the privacy and security of all personal information within its possession very seriously. Please read this letter carefully as it contains information regarding the incident and steps that you can take to help protect your personal information.

What Happened? On September 7, 2022, DCSD discovered suspicious activity associated with certain systems within its network. In response, DCSD took immediate steps to secure its network, which included disconnecting certain network systems from the internet, and promptly launched an investigation. In so doing, DCSD engaged independent digital forensics and incident response experts to determine what happened and to identify any information that may have been accessed or acquired without authorization as a result. On September 30, 2022, DCSD learned that some DCSD data had potentially been accessed or acquired without authorization. DCSD then immediately undertook efforts to review the potentially impacted data. On October 10, 2022, DCSD learned that your personal information was contained within the potentially impacted data and therefore may have been impacted in connection with this incident. Notably, DCSD has no evidence of the misuse of any potentially impacted information.

What Information Was Involved? The information potentially impacted in connection with this incident may have included your name as well as your Social Security number, driver's license number and / or medical information.

What Are We Doing? As soon as DCSD discovered this incident, DCSD took the steps described above. In addition, DCSD implemented measures to enhance the security of its network environment in an effort to minimize the risk of a similar incident occurring in the future. Law enforcement is aware of this incident and DCSD will provide whatever cooperation is necessary to hold the perpetrator(s) accountable.

Although DCSD has no evidence of the misuse of any potentially impacted information, DCSD is providing you with information about steps that you can take to help protect your personal information and is offering you complimentary identity protection services through IDX – a data breach and recovery services expert. These services include 24 months of credit<sup>1</sup> and dark web monitoring, a \$1 million identity fraud loss reimbursement policy, and fully managed identity theft recovery services.

The deadline to enroll in these services is January 26, 2023. With this protection, IDX will help to resolve issues if your identity is compromised.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> To receive credit monitoring services, you must be over the age of 18 and have established credit in the U.S., have a Social Security number in your name, and have a U.S. residential address associated with your credit file.

What You Can Do: You can follow the recommendations on the following page to help protect your personal information. DCSD also encourages you to enroll in the complementary services being offered to you through IDX by using the enrollment code provided above.

**For More Information:** Further information about how to protect your personal information appears on the following page. If you have questions or need assistance, please call IDX at 1-833-814-1701 from 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. Central Time, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays). IDX call center representatives are fully versed on this incident and can answer any questions that you may have.

Please accept my sincere apologies and know that DCSD takes this matter very seriously and deeply regrets any worry or inconvenience that this may cause you.

Sincerely,

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TJ Schneckloth, Superintendent Davenport Community Schools

#### STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP PROTECT YOUR INFORMATION

**Review Your Account Statements and Notify Law Enforcement of Suspicious Activity:** As a precautionary measure, we recommend that you remain vigilant by reviewing your account statements and credit reports closely. If you detect any suspicious activity on an account, you should promptly notify the financial institution or company with which the account is maintained. You also should promptly report any fraudulent activity or any suspected incidence of identity theft to proper law enforcement authorities, your state attorney general, and/or the Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

**Copy of Credit Report:** You may obtain a free copy of your credit report from each of the three major credit reporting agencies once every 12 months by visiting <a href="http://www.annualcreditreport.com/">http://www.annualcreditreport.com/</a>, calling toll-free 1-877-322-8228, or by completing an Annual Credit Report Request Form and mailing it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348. You also can contact one of the following three national credit reporting agencies:

Equifax	Experian	TransUnion
P.O. Box 105851	P.O. Box 9532	P.O. Box 1000
Atlanta, GA 30348	Allen, TX 75013	Chester, PA 19016
1-800-525-6285	1-888-397-3742	1-800-916-8800
www.equifax.com	www.experian.com	www.transunion.com

**Fraud Alert:** You may want to consider placing a fraud alert on your credit report. An initial fraud alert is free and will stay on your credit file for at least one year. The alert informs creditors of possible fraudulent activity within your report and requests that the creditor contact you prior to establishing any accounts in your name. To place a fraud alert on your credit report, contact any of the three credit reporting agencies identified above. Additional information is available at <a href="http://www.annualcreditreport.com">http://www.annualcreditreport.com</a>.

Security Freeze: You have the right to put a security freeze on your credit file for up to one year at no cost. This will prevent new credit from being opened in your name without the use of a PIN number that is issued to you when you initiate the freeze. A security freeze is designed to prevent potential creditors from accessing your credit report without your consent. As a result, using a security freeze may interfere with or delay your ability to obtain credit. You must separately place a security freeze on your credit file with each credit reporting agency. In order to place a security freeze, you may be required to provide the consumer reporting agency with information that identifies you including your full name, Social Security number, date of birth, current and previous addresses, a copy of your state-issued identification card, and a recent utility bill, bank statement or insurance statement.

**Additional Free Resources:** You can obtain information from the consumer reporting agencies, the FTC, or from your respective state Attorney General about fraud alerts, security freezes, and steps you can take toward preventing identity theft. You may report suspected identity theft to local law enforcement, including to the FTC or to the Attorney General in your state.

Federal Trade Commission	Maryland Attorney General	New York Attorney General
600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW	200 St. Paul Place	Bureau of Internet and Technology
Washington, DC 20580	Baltimore, MD 21202	Resources
consumer.ftc.gov, and	oag.state.md.us	28 Liberty Street
www.ftc.gov/idtheft	1-888-743-0023	New York, NY 10005
1-877-438-4338		1-212-416-8433
North Carolina Attorney General	Rhode Island Attorney General	Washington D.C. Attorney General
9001 Mail Service Center	150 South Main Street	441 4th Street, NW
Raleigh, NC 27699	Providence, RI 02903	Washington, DC 20001
ncdoj.gov	http://www.riag.ri.gov	oag.dc.gov
1-877-566-7226	1-401-274-4400	1-202-727-3400

You also have certain rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA): These rights include to know what is in your file; to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information; to have consumer reporting agencies correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; as well as other rights. For more information about the FCRA, and your rights pursuant to the FCRA, please visit <a href="https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/pdf-0096-fair-credit-reporting-act.pdf">https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/pdf-0096-fair-credit-reporting-act.pdf</a>.



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Enrollment Code: <<XXXXXXXX>>>

To the Parent or Guardian of: <<First Name>> <<Last Name>> <<Address1>> <<Address2>> <<City>>, <<State>> <<Zip>>>

October 26, 2022

Subject: Notice of Data << Variable Text 1: Breach or Security Incident>>

Dear Parent or Guardian of << First Name>> << Last Name>>,

I am writing to inform you of a recent data security incident experienced by Davenport Community Schools ("DCSD") that may have affected your child's personal information. DCSD takes the privacy and security of all personal information within its possession very seriously. Please read this letter carefully as it contains information regarding the incident and steps that you can take to help protect your child's information.

What Happened? On September 7, 2022, DCSD discovered suspicious activity associated with certain systems within its network. In response, DCSD took immediate steps to secure its network, which included disconnecting certain network systems from the internet, and promptly launched an investigation. In so doing, DCSD engaged independent digital forensics and incident response experts to determine what happened and to identify any information that may have been accessed or acquired without authorization as a result. On September 30, 2022, DCSD learned that some DCSD data had potentially been accessed or acquired without authorization. DCSD then immediately undertook efforts to review the potentially impacted data. On October 10, 2022, DCSD learned that your child's personal information was contained within the potentially impacted data and therefore may have been impacted in connection with this incident. Notably, DCSD has no evidence of the misuse of any potentially impacted information.

What Information Was Involved? The information potentially impacted in connection with this incident may have included your child's name as well as your child's Social Security number, driver's license number and / or medical information.

What Are We Doing? As soon as DCSD discovered this incident, DCSD took the steps described above. In addition, DCSD implemented measures to enhance the security of its network environment in an effort to minimize the risk of a similar incident occurring in the future. Law enforcement is aware of this incident and DCSD will provide whatever cooperation is necessary to hold the perpetrator(s) accountable.

Although DCSD has no evidence of the misuse of any potentially impacted information, DCSD is providing you with information about steps that you can take to help protect your child's personal information and is offering complimentary identity protection services through IDX – a data breach and recovery services expert. These services include 24 months of dark web monitoring, a \$1 million identity fraud loss reimbursement policy, and fully managed identity theft recovery services.

The deadline to enroll in these services is January 26, 2023. With this protection, IDX will help to resolve issues if your child's identity is compromised.

What You Can Do: You can follow the recommendations on the following page to help protect your child's personal information. DCSD also encourages you to enroll in the complementary services being offered through IDX by using the enrollment code provided above.

**For More Information:** Further information about how to protect your child's personal information appears on the following page. If you have questions or need assistance, please call IDX at 1-833-814-1701 from 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. Central Time, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays). IDX call center representatives are fully versed on this incident and can answer any questions that you may have.

Please accept my sincere apologies and know that DCSD takes this matter very seriously and deeply regrets any worry or inconvenience that this may cause you.

Sincerely,

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TJ Schneckloth, Superintendent Davenport Community Schools

#### STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP PROTECT YOUR CHILD'S INFORMATION

Review Any Account Statements and Notify Law Enforcement of Suspicious Activity: As a precautionary measure, we recommend that you remain vigilant and review statements from the minor's accounts closely. If you detect any suspicious activity on an account, you should promptly notify the financial institution or company with which the account is maintained. You should also promptly report any fraudulent activity or any suspected incidence of identity theft to proper law enforcement authorities, your state attorney general, and/or the Federal Trade Commission (the "FTC").

Personal Information of a Minor: You can request that each of the three national consumer reporting agencies perform a manual search for a minor's Social Security Number to determine if there is an associated credit report. Copies of identifying information for the minor and parent/guardian may be required, including birth or adoption certificate, Social Security card, and government issued identification card. If a credit report exists, you should request a copy of the report and immediately report any fraudulent accounts to the consumer reporting agency. You can also report any misuse of a minor's information to the FTC at https://www.identitytheft.gov/. For more information about Child Identity Theft and instructions for requesting a manual Social Security number search, visit the FTC website: https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0040-child-identity-theft. Contact information for the three national credit reporting agencies is below.

Security Freeze: You may place a free credit freeze for minors under age 16. By placing a security freeze, someone who fraudulently acquires the minor's personal identifying information will not be able to use that information to open new accounts or borrow money in their name. You will need to contact the 3 national credit reporting bureaus listed below to place the freeze. Keep in mind that when you place the freeze, the minor will not be able to borrow money, obtain instant credit, or get a new credit card until the freeze is temporarily lifted or permanently removed. You must separately place a security freeze on the minor's credit file with each credit reporting agency. There is no charge to place, lift, or remove a security freeze on the minor's credit files. In order to place a security freeze, you may be required to provide the credit reporting agency with information that identifies you and/or the minor, including birth or adoption certificate, Social Security card, and government issued identification card.

Equifax	Experian	TransUnion
P.O. Box 105851	P.O. Box 9532	P.O. Box 1000
Atlanta, GA 30348	Allen, TX 75013	Chester, PA 19016
1-800-525-6285	1-888-397-3742	1-800-916-8800
www.equifax.com	www.experian.com	www.transunion.com

Fraud Alert: You may want to consider placing a fraud alert on the minor's credit report. An initial fraud alert is free and will stay on the minor's credit file for at least one year. The alert informs creditors of possible fraudulent activity within the minor's report and requests that the creditor contact you prior to establishing any accounts in the minor's name. To place a fraud alert on the minor's credit report, contact any of the three credit reporting agencies identified above. Additional information is available at http://www.annualcreditreport.com.

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You also have certain rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA): These rights include to know what is in the minor's file; to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information; to have consumer reporting agencies correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; as well as other rights. For more information about the FCRA, and your rights pursuant to the FCRA, please visit https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/pdf-0096-fair-credit-reporting-act.pdf.



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To the Family of:

<<First Name>> <<Last Name>>

</Address1>> <<Address2>>

<<City>>. <<State>> <<Zip>>>

October 26, 2022

Subject: Notice of Data << Variable Text 1: Breach or Security Incident>>

Dear Family Member of << First Name>> << Last Name>>,

I am writing to inform you of a recent data security incident experienced by Davenport Community Schools ("DCSD") that may have affected your family member's personal information. DCSD takes the privacy and security of all personal information within its possession very seriously. Please read this letter carefully as it contains information regarding the incident and steps that you can take to help protect your family member's personal information.

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What Information Was Involved? The information potentially impacted in connection with this incident may have included your family member's name as well as your family member's Social Security number, driver's license number and / or medical information.

What Are We Doing? As soon as DCSD discovered this incident, DCSD took the steps described above. In addition, DCSD implemented measures to enhance the security of its network environment in an effort to minimize the risk of a similar incident occurring in the future. DCSD also notified law enforcement of this incident and will provide whatever cooperation is necessary to hold the perpetrator(s) accountable.

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Copy of Credit Report: In order to obtain a copy of your family member's credit report, you will need to provide proof that you are authorized to act on their behalf. This often occurs when the credit bureau is initially informed of their passing with a copy of their death certificate, and a copy of the legal document authorizing you to act on their behalf. You may then obtain a free copy of your family member's credit report from each of the three major credit reporting agencies once every 12 months by visiting <a href="http://www.annualcreditreport.com/">http://www.annualcreditreport.com/</a>, calling toll-free 877-322-8228, or by completing an Annual Credit Report Request Form and mailing it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348. You also can contact one of the following three national credit reporting agencies:

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**Fraud Alert:** You should inform the credit reporting agencies that your family member is deceased, and you can do so with a copy of their death certificate and a copy of the legal document authorizing you to act on their behalf. You may then inform the credit reporting agencies of fraudulent activity that may involve your family member's identity. You may also want to consider placing a fraud alert on your own credit report. An initial fraud alert is free and will stay on your credit file for at least one year. The alert informs creditors of possible fraudulent activity within your report and requests that the creditor contact you prior to establishing any accounts in your name. To place a fraud alert on your credit report, contact any of the three credit reporting agencies identified above. Additional information is available at <a href="http://www.annualcreditreport.com">http://www.annualcreditreport.com</a>.

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New York, NY 10005 1-877-438-4338 1-212-416-8433 **North Carolina Attorney General Rhode Island Attorney General** Washington D.C. Attorney General 441 4th Street, NW 9001 Mail Service Center 150 South Main Street Raleigh, NC 27699 Providence, RI 02903 Washington, DC 20001 http://www.riag.ri.gov oag.dc.gov ncdoj.gov 1-877-566-7226 1-401-274-4400 1-202-727-3400

Consumers have certain rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA): These rights include to know what is in their file; to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information; to have consumer reporting agencies correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information, as well as others. For more information about the FCRA, and consumer rights pursuant to the FCRA, please visit https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/pdf-0096-fair-credit-reporting-act.pdf.